



# **Community Health Center Task Group Report**



## **Agenda**

- Welcome & Introductions
- Progress of the Task Group (Durado/Jim)
- Discussion/Q&A
- Gaps/remaining needs
- Opportunities for NCCRT
- Next Steps



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- Jim Hotz, MD

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## **Task Group Co-Chair**

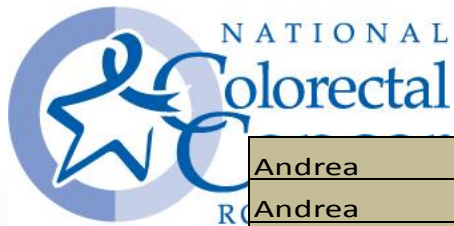
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## ***Charge:***

- The charge of this Task Group is to identify and act on opportunities for NCCRT to advance efforts to increase colorectal screening delivery within the community health center setting.



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## Task Group Themes

- Improving *Links of Care* between CHCs and specialty providers and hospitals
- Paying for screening navigation
- Improving EHR use to support screening
- Dissemination of tools and resources



## FY16 Accomplishments:

- Continued support for *Links of Care* Pilots in three sites
  - Quarterly reporting and formal evaluation underway
- Reconvened medical professional societies and other partners to review pilot progress and determine next steps
- Finalizing new tool on How to Pay for Screening Navigation
- Hosted webinar on eCW CRC Best Practices Guide (downloaded over 2,500 times; eCW receptive to recommended enhancements)
- Launched development of NextGen Best Practices Guide for CRC screening
- Supported Colorado Project ECHO on CRC Screening
- Acceleration in UDS CRC screening rates



## FY17 Project Plan

- Continue to support *Links of Care* pilots
  - Focus on sustainability/formalizing relationships
  - Publish evaluation findings
  - Develop *Links of Care* curriculum
  - Relaunch *Links of Care* program
- Distribute *How to Pay for Screening Navigation* Toolkit
- Develop and finalize *NextGen CRC Screening Best Practices and Workflow Guide*
- 80% by 2018 Forums slated for remaining states
- Development of Hospitals Systems CRC Change Package (Prof Ed)



## Key Points of Discussion:

- We can't get to 80% by 2018 without CHCs
- Links of Care: we need hospital, endoscopy partners
- EHR systems can be hard to use for CRC screening
- How can HRSA:
  - Push CHCs to be more accountable for their CRC UDS measure? At least make the goal more visible?
  - Help CHCs become part of an ACO, APM, or other integrated system
- HRSA: Pays for CHC's PCMH application; PCMH CHCs have higher CRC screening rates
- CDC, NCI, and ACS committed to more state forums.

## **CHC gaps/needs:**

- Provider education: still some resistance to FIT option among some providers, with colonoscopy-only mindset
- How to use various EHR systems for CRC screening (beyond eClinical and NextGen, perhaps include EPIC)
- CHCs need help with cost modeling when negotiating with endoscopists.

## **Opportunities/FY18 NCCRT projects:**

- Build on increased support from professional associations.
- Expand Links of Care.
  - Develop guidebook/curriculum.
  - Involve state roundtables, maybe free clinics too.
- Develop additional EHR guide(s). (EPIC?)
- Disseminate the “how to pay for navigation” toolkit.
- Support expansion of CRC learning collaboratives (such as ones ACS supported in New England and WV), also Project ECHO, for dissemination.

## Immediate Next Steps:

- Find out specifics of what EPIC is offering to FQHCs; look for opportunity to partner for CRC screening.
- Ron Yee agreed to look into whether NACHC can effectively pressure or require EHR vendors to address a minimum set of needs related to UDS in CHC contracts.
- Explore possible dissemination or replication of the NY C5's colonoscopy navigation guidebook.
- Share the Oregon policy language on colonoscopy as a prevention service following positive FIT.



## **Parking lot issues:**

- Invite free clinics too? For example, expansion of Links of Care, join NCCRT
- What about using the EHR the VA uses?

## Reminders

- ACS staff role:
  - Ensure slides are ready to go (should be on computer and back up flash drive).
  - Run and get help in case of IT trouble!
  - Circulate and collect sign in sheet (To be handed out at prep meeting)
  - Use sign in sheet to update slide 4
  - Take good notes.
  - Work with chairs to finalize report slides
- Final report due to Mary by Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Final report will be shared on December 14<sup>th</sup> NCCRT Steering Committee call 1:30pm EST